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This case against Microsoft has been poorly executed by the government, companies and handful of states taking part. It is also quite hypocritical of those companies because they simply do not have the products to available to replace the Microsoft software. I could see their point if they actually had something to sell me but they don't. Have you ever tried writing a letter, doing a spreadsheet, made a greeting card, edited a photograph on a UNIX machine? I didn't think so. All these companies have a perfect right to manufacture competing products, but they dont, even for their own die hard users. In addition I as a consumer feel that the deal Microsoft gives me is a tremendous value. Where else can I get a state of the art operating system, with many applications for under \$200? There is no case here. Microsoft software has done more for our economy, military strength, and business productivity than any single company in history.

Let them keep it up. Or invite them to leave the US and become a corporation of lets say, India. I know the country of India would welcome them with open arms, unlike our own government which scorns them.